

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
July 11, 2006

Regular Session:

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Members present were: Cindy Murray, Norm Childress and Tom Shorter. Absent were: Gary Henriott and Claudia Samulowitz.

Ed Chosnek, City Attorney, was also present.

President Murray called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Mr. Shorter moved for approval of the minutes from the June 27, 2006 regular meeting. Mr. Childress seconded. Passed.

BID UNDER ADVISEMENT

Elliott Interceptor Replacement – Phase 1 Project

President Murray stated the bids would remain under advisement for further review.

OLD BUSINESS

Permission to Advertise – 2006 Sidewalk & Curb Replacement Project (Tabled 6/6/2006)

President Murray stated the request would remain tabled until time uncertain.

NEW BUSINESS

Engineering

Change Order #4 – Rieth Riley Construction for the Brady Lane Reconstruction Project

Mike Smith, HE-BFS, LLC, presented to the Board and recommended approval of Change Order #4 from Rieth Riley Construction in the amount of \$143,472.68 for the Brady Lane Reconstruction Project. Mr. Smith informed the Board that he anticipated another change order to be brought before the Board showing the final quantities along with a few items that have changed in the past month or so. Mr. Childress moved for approval. Mr. Shorter seconded. Passed.

Water Pollution Control

Escrow Agreement for the Pearl River Lift Station – Hagerman Construction Corporation

Brad Talley, Water Pollution Control Superintendent, presented to the Board and recommended approval of an Escrow Agreement with Hagerman Construction Corporation for the Pearl River Lift Station and CSO Screening Facility. Mr. Shorter moved for approval. Mr. Childress seconded. Passed.

Minor Industrial User Permit – Carry Companies, Inc.

Angela Andrews, Chief of Surveillance, requested Board approval for a renewal of a Minor Industrial Contributor Permit for Carry Companies, Inc. for four (4) years. Mr. Childress moved for approval. Mr. Shorter seconded. Passed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Event Closure Request– Dancing in the Streets

Frank Donaldson presented a letter on behalf of the Downtown Business Center and requested approval to stage the annual “Dancing in the Streets” festival on Saturday, July 29, 2006 from 4:00 PM to 12:00 Midnight at Riehle Plaza. To facilitate this event the following requests were made:

- Second Street from Ferry Street to Columbia Street-Closed to parking and traffic on the event date from 6:00 AM Saturday, July 29 to 2:00 AM Sunday, July 30, 2006.
- Third Street from Ferry Street to Columbia Street - Closed to parking and traffic on the event date from 6:00 AM Saturday, July 29 to 2:00 AM Sunday, July 30, 2006.
- Ferry Street from 2nd to 4th Street-Closed to parking and traffic on the event date from 6:00 AM Saturday, July 29 to 2:00 AM Sunday, July 30, 2006.
- Main Street from 2nd to 4th Street-Closed to parking and traffic on the event date from 6:00 AM Saturday, July 29 to 2:00 AM Sunday, July 30, 2006.

The following street closings are needed to conduct the Classic Car Cruise on Saturday, July 29:

- Ferry Street from 3rd Street to 10th Street-Closed to traffic on the event date from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.
- Main Street from 3rd Street to 10th Street-Closed to traffic on the event date from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.
- 10th Street between Main and Columbia Streets - Closed to traffic on the event date from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.
- Permission to hang a banner for the event across Main Street from July 11 through August 1, 2006.

Mr. Shorter moved for approval. Mr. Childress seconded. Passed.

President Murray requested a separate motion to approve the banner request. Mr. Shorter moved for approval. Mr. Childress seconded. Passed.

Permission to Hang a Banner – Hunger Hike

President Murray presented a banner request on behalf of Patti O’Callaghan, Lafayette Urban Ministries, to hang a banner across Main Street from September 5 through September 19, 2006. Mr. Childress moved for approval. Mr. Shorter seconded. Passed.

CLAIMS

Mike Jones, Controller, presented for Board approval, Claims in the amount of \$6,028,335.66. Mr. Shorter moved for approval. Mr. Childress seconded. Passed.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Dennis Carson, Director of Development, gave the following department update along with a handout:

Economic Development/TIF Districts

- Construction projects underway that are being financed by TIF
 - Park East Blvd/Sewer line extensions – McCarty \$547,000
 - SR 26/Creasy Improvements and Fortune Drive – Creasy Treece \$2.995 mil
 - Greenbush Street – Creasy Treece \$2.5 mil
- Engineering/feasibility to begin shortly for more streetscape west side of 3rd street between Main and Columbia and north side of Main Street between 3rd and 4th Streets Central TIF \$300,000
- Wayfinding for downtown and adjoining neighborhoods – Central TIF \$100,000
- SIA Toyota joint Venture
 - SIA Tax Abatement (3) 10 years
 - Tiered suppliers – Toyota Tsusho
- Economic Development Commission July 31 11:00 Tate & Lyle IRB \$23 million

Community Task Force to study Hospital Campus Reuse

- First meeting held June 1 – organizational meeting, GLHS update, brainstormed reuse ideas
- Professor Kim Wilson's Landscape Architecture class 326 studied the site and provided invaluable information that the task force will use.
- Engaged Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation, Lafayette Neighborhood Housing Services and L-WL Dev Corp.
- Next meeting in mid-October

Annexation

- Voluntary annexation east of Creasy Lane, just north and south of McCarty Lane, north of SIA (current corporation line) and west of I65.

Lafayette Parking Commission

- Meets this month July 17 at 11:00 a.m.

Lafayette Urban Enterprise Association

- Work One Express Site/Neighborhood Assistance Program tax credits and fundraising – LUEA with the Lafayette Adult Resource Academy was successful in raising more than \$26,000 to support our joint Work One Express site. This exceeded our goal of \$18,500 by \$7,500.
- We have raised \$18,000 for Centennial Park through a grant from Greater Lafayette Community Foundation.
- Developing retail assistance programs with Purdue in conjunction with the Downtown Business Center and Development Corporation

Aimee Jacobsen, Community Development Director, gave the following department update along with a handout:

CDBG Projects

Sidewalk and Curb Projects

Since summer 2005, we have completed sidewalk work in Ellsworth Romig, Historic 9th Street, Centennial, Downtown, Hanna, Monon, St. Lawrence McAllister, Perrin and Vinton neighborhoods. The 2005 Phase 1 Project which includes work in Vinton and St. Lawrence McAllister neighborhoods will be completed within the next few weeks.

In an effort to coordinate work better and combine resources, the Engineering Department is completing a large bid package that will include CDBG sidewalk and curb work in St. Mary's Neighborhood and St. Lawrence McAllister to be completed at the same time the roads are repaved in those areas. That project, which also includes road repaving projects in several other areas of the City, will be let later this summer.

We are also preparing a small one-block sidewalk project in Lincoln neighborhood on Tippecanoe Street. This is a project that the Lafayette Tree Advisory Committee spearheaded to coordinate with then Cinergy now Duke Energy to demonstrate appropriate tree plantings under utility lines. Duke Energy will be paying for the replacement trees on that block.

We have additional CDBG funding allocated for sidewalk work in Ellsworth Romig, Hanna, Monon, St. Lawrence McAllister, Vinton, St. Mary's and Historic Jefferson Neighborhoods. We will be coordinating with the engineering department to begin projects in those neighborhoods later this fall and through next spring.

Manufacturing Fast Track Job Training Program

We will be executing contracts with the Greater Lafayette Community Development Corporation, EmployAbilities and Lafayette Urban Enterprise Association to begin this training program in the fall. The program will be available to all residents who live within the Zone, but the CDBG funds will be limited to NAC residents (Centennial, Downtown, Ellsworth Romig and part of Historic 9th Street).

Main Street Façade Program

Last year we assisted 3 projects – the Cracker Factory Condominiums at 216 N. 6th Street and the old Robertson building at 4th and Main Street, and 642 Main Street. We have a few other projects pending at this time.

HUGUS

Last year we also assisted one Hook Up Grant for Upper Stories (HUGUS) project, the installation of a water main for a fire suppression system at 216 N. 6th Street for the Cracker Factory Condominium project.

We will be presenting a new contract within the next few weeks for another HUGUS project at 223 Main Street.

Parks

CDBG funds are used in the neighborhood parks that are eligible for the funds. Arlington Park was completed last year and Darby Park is almost finished. We coordinated with the Historic Centennial Neighborhood and the Parks Department to complete new designs for Centennial Park and work will hopefully begin there later this summer, to be completed next spring.

We have also been working on a small park located in the Ellsworth Romig neighborhood called Triangle Park for the past few years. The park is owned by CFRC and they have an endowment from the McCaw Foundation to fund new equipment and maintain the park. Triangle Park is located at the end of 5th Street near Romig Street, and it is open and available to the public. Completion of a new shelter funded with CDBG is scheduled for this fall.

Handicap Accessibility

CDBG funds were used at the TCHA genealogy research museum to provide a sidewalk connector to allow handicap accessibility from their parking lot to the building.

We will also be helping to fund an elevator in the Education Building behind the 1st Baptist Church on North 7th Street in Historic Centennial Neighborhood. That building will be housing the New Community School, a charter public school this fall.

Senior Housing Assistance Repair Program

The Tippecanoe Council on Aging continues to administer the SHARP program, an emergency repair assistance program for seniors and persons with disabilities.

Community Facilities

We will be bringing a contract to the Board of Works within the next few weeks for the Babies Can't Wait program which will be housed at 407-409 South 3rd Street, an historic building located behind the CFRC Southside community center building, next to South Tipp Park. This is a new program that will provide intensive case management to parents of young children who have had their children removed from their care by the court system due to abuse and/or negligence related to the parent's substance abuse problems. The Babies Can't Wait program provides parenting and life skill training in tandem with substance abuse treatment, and allows the parents to be with their children during the day in a supervised setting while they participate in the program.

Another project to be funded with the 2006 CDBG funds as soon as they are available is a shelter rehab project for the YWCA for the Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention Program (DVIPP).

Social Services

The 2005 program year ended June 30th for the 9 social service agencies we have provided CDBG funds, and new contracts will be executed with the agencies as soon as the federal funds are released for this program year. Because they are all ongoing programs, the agencies are allowed to continue to operating them during the time period between contracts, and they claim the funds for the month between as soon as the new contract is executed. Those agencies include CFRC for the Latino Outreach Program, Community Health Clinic, Family Services for the Family Self Sufficiency Program, Food Finders Food Bank, Lafayette Transitional Housing Center for Lincoln Center, Lafayette Urban Ministry, Mental Health Association, Tippecanoe Child Care, and the YWCA for the Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention Program (DVIPP).

HOME Projects

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Operating Funds

We will be bringing contracts before you to continue CHDO Operating Funds for LNHS, New Chauncey and Wabash Valley Trust.

Home Ownership Activities

We have several HOME funded home ownership projects underway. LNHS continues to administer downpayment assistance programs.

The 27-lot Norfolk Crossing Subdivision was developed by Area IV Development and 7 of the lots are being developed by Habitat for Humanity and the other 20 lots are being developed by Area IV. Habitat for Humanity has also been building houses in Bristol Park subdivision and some scattered sites in Lafayette.

New Chauncey Housing continues their neighborhood stabilization program, acquiring houses, rehabbing them and selling them to income eligible families. Most of the houses they acquire were used as student rental housing and NCH converts the homes back to single family.

Wabash Valley Trust is working on two single family homes at this time, one on South 7th Street in Lafayette and one in the Town of Battle Ground. Both are historic homes that were acquired in severe states of disrepair. WVT is rehabbing the homes and they will be available for sale to income eligible families.

LNHS has a program underway to rehab houses that they have acquired that were in foreclosure. After the houses are rehabbed, LNHS will sell them to income eligible families.

Area IV Development has a pilot owner occupied rehab program underway to help income eligible homeowners make necessary repairs to their houses. This is a major rehabilitation program.

Rental Unit Development

Last year we completed a project with the Mental Health Association to convert office space to supportive apartment units at their building known as the Potter House on Columbia Street. MHA provides supportive services along with the housing units for adults with mental disabilities.

The HOME Consortium just allocated some funds to Wabash Valley Hospital to convert office space to a group home in a building they own on MeHarry Street. The group home will provide housing and 24-hour intensive supportive services for adults with mental disabilities. You should be seeing that contract early next month.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance

The Lafayette Housing Authority is using HOME funds for Tenant Based Rental Assistance, a program that operates just like their Section 8 program. This program was initiated to help meet the high demand for Section 8 vouchers.

General

Program Year 2006 Contracts

Program Year 2006 technically begins July 1, but we will not have the federal funds released until mid to late August. We will be bringing several contracts to BOW for approval, as well as extensions for previous contracts.

Historic Preservation Officer

In the next few weeks I will be presenting a contract with Ramona Lawson to become the new Historic Preservation Officer for Lafayette. Ramona is a registered architect and worked in the City's Railroad Relocation office. Before that she also worked in our redevelopment department in the earlier days of the Main Street Façade program and actually designed many of the storefronts that have been restored.

New Staff

Eileen Booth just began her new position in our office as the Project Manager over the CDBG projects and the historic preservation program. Eileen is completing a Masters degree in historic preservation at Ball State University, and she has had a lot of hands on experience with historic preservation, both through school and personally as she and her husband are in the final stages of restoring a historic house built in 1907 themselves. Eileen also has a master's degree in Art Education from NYU.

Nominate Your Neighbor

The Nominate Your Neighbor program has been a very positive program initiated by some neighborhood leaders who are part of the Chamber of Commerce Community Appearance Task Force. It is a joint initiative between the City of Lafayette and the Chamber's Community Appearance Task Force. The program recognizes property owners who take pride in the upkeep of their lawns and maintain them in an attractive manner. Each nominated property owner has a Nominated by my Neighbor sign posted in their yard for 2 weeks, a letter of congratulations and appreciation from the mayor and Dana Smith, and they will all be invited to an end of summer celebration, along with those who made the nominations. The program began in May and we have received about 125 nominations so far. The program received national attention recently when MuniNet Guide, the leading national web site for municipal-related research noticed the information about the program on our City's website. The program is now featured on their webpage.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Murray stated the meeting was adjourned.

The time being 9:30 a.m.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Cindy Murray s/s
President

ATTEST: Deb Puetz s/s
Deb Puetz, 1st Deputy Clerk

Minutes written by Deb Puetz, 1st Deputy Clerk

The Engineering Office issued the following Building Permits for the week ending June 30, 2006:

12543	North Central Health Services	1809 Union St	Foundation only for 2 story office	\$350,000.00
12544	RMW LLC	210 Meijer Dr	Sign for The Bear Barn	\$500.00
12545	Chicagoland Oil Co	325 Sagamore Pkwy N	Signs for Smart Shop	\$8,400.00
12546	Lauth Construction LLC	150 Creasy Ln S	Temporary pole	\$600.00
12547	Community Reform Church	2501 S 18th St	Event sign for Chicken Bar-B-Q 7/1-7/9	\$25.00
12548	Robert R Beall	1600 Potomac Ave	Porch roof & doors - 1 interior 1 exterior	\$5,224.00
12549	City Bus of Greater Lafayette	Amelia Ave & Creasy Ln S	New bus shelter	\$3,370.00
12550	City Bus of Greater Lafayette	Rome Dr & Shenandoah Dr	New bus shelter	\$3,485.00
12551	Tom Walgamuth	216 N 4th St	Add 5,800 sq ft & remodel 800 sq ft. - 5th	\$425,000.00
12552	Waste Management of Lafayette	2118 Romney Dr	Wreck old pizza building	\$25,000.00
12553	Cargill Inc	1502 Wabash Ave	Foundation for process equipment and	\$1,645.00
12554	High Point Oil Co	1103 Teal Rd	Electric to Install remediation building	\$10,000.00
12555	Calvary Chapel	2111 State St	Reconstruction due to fire	\$719,129.00
12556	Lafayette Pavillions Partners LLC	100 Creasy Ln S	Tenant buildout for Office Depot	\$300,000.00
12557	Alta Burkhalter	301 Park Ave	Bury electric cable & change meter base	\$2,000.00
12558	William & Susan Ehlers	2513 Potowatomi Dr	Deck	\$1,100.00
12559	Dominos	1221 Creasy Ln S	Event sign for promotional 6/29-7/20	\$25.00
12560	Keith Love	2555 Maple Point Dr	Event sign for fireworks event 7/1-7/21	\$25.00
12561	Mike Davidson	423 N 5th St	Interior remodel	\$23,412.00
12562	Jeff Halsema	3760 Union St	Event sign for Changes Inc 7/5-7/19	\$25.00
12563	City of Lafayette	Kossuth & S 18th St	Electric for temporary construction trailer	\$0.00
12564	Evan A Houston	1938 Maple St	Finish inside remodel & electric	\$1,000.00
12565	Linda Bassin	2109 Thompson St	Rewire & correct electric	\$900.00

The Engineering Office issued the following Building Permits for the week ending July 7, 2006:

12566	Jason Stanfield	3516 Waverly Dr	deck	\$3,000.00
12567	James Eberle	3867 Baldwin Ave	Screen room	\$3,000.00
12568	Anthony Koehl	2448 Poplar Ln	Extend existing deck	\$850.00
12569	Mike & Sharon Summers	820 Shawnee Ave	Upgrade electric to 200 amps	\$2,000.00
12570	Kelly O'Toole	1116 Franklin St	Upgrade 60 to 100amp	\$900.00
12571	Richard & Sandra Wetli	2201 Southaven Blvd	Deck 22'x11'3" with pergola	\$1,000.00
12572	Don & Jan Ditto	525 S 7th St	garage addition with bonus room above	\$90,000.00
12573	Jennifer Bonner	1751 Hemlock Rd	Garage addition	\$14,000.00
12574	George & Laura Bergstrom	2326 Dakota Dr	Repair mast	\$175.00
12575	INOK Investments LLC	4105 Haggerty Ln	Interior offices	\$22,000.00

Ordinance Violations Bureau

From the Office of the Engineer: 1st Letter Summary (240 issued) 2nd Letter Summary (29 issued) and Ticket Summary (14 issued) from the Ordinance Violations Bureau for the month of June 2006.